## **Natural Resources Conservation Service**

# Application Ranking Summary SRT Grazing Land

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: SRT Grazing Land		Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:		Telephone:
Farm Location:	-	

### **National Priorities Addressed**

Issue Questions	
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Quality - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
<ol> <li>a. Meet regulatory requirements relating to animal feeding operations, or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?</li> </ol>	Yes O or No O
1. b. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a designated impaired water body?	Yes O or No O
1. c. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a water body?	Yes O or No O
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
2. a. Increase groundwater recharge in identified groundwater depletion areas (http://water.usgs.gov/ogw/rasa/html/TOC.html)?	Yes O or No O
2. b. Conserve water from irrigation system improvements and result in estimated water savings of at least 5% and saved water will be available for other beneficial uses?	Yes O or No O
2. c. Conserve water in an area where the applicant participates in a geographically established or watershed-wide project?	Yes O or No O
Clean Air: Treatment of Air Quality from Agricultural Sources - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
3. a. Meet regulatory requirements relating to air quality or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	Yes O or No O
3. b. Reduce green house gases such as methane, nitrous oxide, and volatile organic compounds (VOC)?	Yes O or No O
3. c. Increase carbon sequestration?	Yes O or No O
High Quality, Productive Soils Erosion Reduction - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
4. a. Reduce erosion to tolerable limits (Soil "T")?	Yes O or No O
Healthy Plant and Animal Communities Wildlife Habitat Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
5. a. Benefit threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, or species of concern as identified in a State wildlife plan?	Yes O or No O
5. b. Retain wildlife and plant benefits on land exiting the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)?	Yes O or No O
High Quality, Productive Soils, Healthy Plant and Animal Communities: Special Environmental Efforts/Initiatives - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
6. a. Eradicate or control noxious or invasive species?	Yes O or No O
6. b. Increase, improve or establish pollinator habitat?	Yes O or No O
6. c. Implement precision agricultural methods?	Yes O or No O
6. d. Properly dispose of animal carcasses?	Yes O or No O
6. e. Implement an Integrated Pest Management plan?	Yes O or No O
Energy Conservation – Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
7. a. Reduce energy consumption on the agricultural operation?	Yes O or No O
7. b. Increase on-farm energy efficiency with more efficient equipment?	Yes O or No O

7. c. Assist in implementing energy conservation measures that reduce emissions from GHGs and air pollutants?	
Business Lines - Conservation Implementation Additional Ranking Considerations - Will the proposed project result in:	
8. a. Implementation of all planned conservation practices within three years of contract obligation?	Yes O or No O
8. b. Improvement of existing conservation practices or conservation systems already in place at the time the application is accepted, or will complete an existing conservation system?	Yes O or No O
Does the applicant meet the following conditions:	
9. a. If the applicant has an existing EQIP contract, has it been, and is it now, on schedule and in full compliance?	Yes O or No O
9. b. Did the applicant successfully complete any past contract(s) in full compliance?	Yes O or No O
9. c. Is this the applicant's first EQIP application?	Yes O or No O

## **State Issues Addressed**

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Will 3 or more SWAPA elements be treated through this EQIP contract?	Yes O or No O
2. Will all contracted practices be management, vegetative or non-engineering type practices, or if engineering practices are included will the participant supply the engineering design certified by a licensed professional engineer?(This includes producer-selected TSP designs)	
3. Will practices be implemented to treat surface water quality concerns in a planning unit that is immediately adjacent to a 303d listed (category 4 or 5) waterbody, as shown on the WA DOE web-based map? (http://apps.ecy.wa.gov/wqawa/viewer.htm ) ( http://apps.ecy.wa.gov/wqawa/viewer.htm )	
4. Will the initial contract length be limited to 5 years or less?	Yes O or No O
5. Will contracted practices assist the producer in complying with AFO/CFO, Tribal or Forest Practices Act laws and regulations, or the Food Quality Protection Act?	Yes O or No O
6. Is applicant certified as Socially Disadvantaged, Beginning, or Limited Resource Farmer/Rancher?	Yes O or No O

#### **Local Issues Addressed**

Issue Questions	Responses
GRAZING LAND	
32. 32. (GRAZING LAND) Will expiring CRP contracted acres be left in perennial cover and working lands improvements such as fencing and water developments be made.	Yes O or No O
33. 33. (GRAZING LAND)Will winter feeding areas adjacent to streams be relocated not less than the minimum buffer width specified in the current Riparian Forest Buffer Standard (391), creating buffers with livestock exclusion?	Yes O or No O
34. 34.(GRAZING LAND)Will livestock access to riparian areas be controlled by fencing the riparian area and prescribed grazing utilized?	Yes O or No O
35. 35. (GRAZING LAND)Will uncontrolled livestock access to riparian areas be excluded through the application of a prescribed grazing system without fencing?	Yes O or No O
36. 36. (GRAZING LAND)Will uncontrolled livestock access to riparian areas be excluded through the use of fencing AND the establishment of a riparian forest buffer or riparian herbaceous cover?	Yes O or No O
37. 37. (GRAZING LAND)Will an excessive invasion of Class A or B noxious weeds and/or woody vegetation be controlled on 100% of the infested acres based on the applicant interview?	Yes O or No O
38. 38. (GRAZING LAND)Will an excessive invasion of Class A or B noxious weeds and/or woody vegetation be controlled on 50-99% of the infested acres based on the applicant interview?	Yes O or No O
39. 39. (GRAZING LAND)Will an excessive invasion of Class A or B noxious weeds and/or woody vegetation be controlled on 25-49% of the infested acres based on the applicant interview?	Yes O or No O
40. 40. (GRAZING LAND)Will an excessive invasion of Class A or B noxious weeds and/or woody vegetation be controlled on <25% of the infested acres based on the applicant interview?	Yes O or No O
41. 41. (GRAZING LAND)Will livestock water be developed where there is sufficient indication that the lack of adequate water quantity or availability is a limiting factor for achieving proper grazing distribution?	Yes O or No O

42. 42. (GRAZING LAND)Will concentrated flow erosion be controlled?	Yes O or No O
43. 43. (GRAZING LAND)Will livestock stream crossing(s) be installed on fish bearing streams with a stream flow of $< 55$ CFS?	Yes O or No O
44. 44. (GRAZING LAND)Will a prescribed grazing system be applied on the proposed upland contract acres?	Yes O or No O
45. 45. (GRAZING LAND)Will wildlife habitat be enhanced by installing guzzlers 1/2 mile or more from perennial water or by constructing wildlife brush piles?	Yes O or No O
46. 46. (GRAZING LAND)Will a Riparian Forest Buffer, Filter Strip, or Windbreak/Shelterbelt be established that provides a water quality, air quality, livestock health, and/or wildlife habitat benefit?	Yes O or No O
47. 47. (GRAZING LAND)Will 0.5 acres of trees, shrubs, and perennial grass be planted following WDFW species recommendations and/or meets the NRCS 643 Conservation Practice Standard?	Yes O or No O
48. 48. (GRAZING LAND)Will greater than 0.5 acres of trees, shrubs, and perennial grass be planted following WDFW species recommendations and/or meets the NRCS 643 Conservation Practice Standard?	Yes O or No O

#### Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices
Ranking Score	
Efficiency:	
Local Issues:	
State Issues:	
National Issues:	
Final Ranking Score:	

This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

	Applicant Signature Not Required on this report for Contract Development unless required by State policy:
Signature Date:	Signature Date: